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Applicants reserve the right to present to the office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of the listed documents. Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents should the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

Applicants note that the pending related application 09/709,900, filed November 10, 2000, included original claims 1-7 that were substantially similar to the original claims 1, 6, 3-5, and 7-8, respectively, of the present application. During prosecution of 09/709,900, its original claims 1, 4, and 6 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable under United States Patent No. 6,044,354 to Asplen, Jr. (hereinafter "Asplen"); original claim 2 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by United States Patent No. 6,557,013 to Ziff et al. (hereinafter "Ziff"); original claim 3 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable under Asplen in view of United States Patent No. 5,721,903 to Anand et al.; original claim 5 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable under Asplen in view of United States Patent No. 6,330,545 to Suh; and original claim 7 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable under Asplen in view of Ziff.

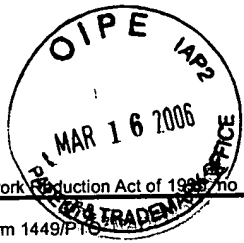
Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner refer to the 09/709,900 application and its prosecution history file for a complete description of the above-noted rejections as well as other rejections and other cited references. Applicants also respectfully request that the Examiner let the Applicants know if the Examiner has any questions regarding this matter.

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